

REMARKS

In response to the restriction/unity of invention requirement set forth in the Official Action, applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group III which originally included claims 5 and 14. Pursuant to this election, claims 1, 2 and 9-14 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer and with the right to pursue one or more divisional applications. In addition, claims 3, 4 and 6-8 have been amended so as to depend directly or indirectly from claim 5.


The foregoing election is made without traverse as it applies to Groups I, II and III, but with traverse with respect to the separate grouping of Groups IV and V. The optical component recited in the dependent claims should clearly be examined with the claims from which they depend, particularly since claim 8 should be allowed with claim 5 when claim 5 is found allowable.

As a final matter, the Examiner is requested to consider and acknowledge the information submitted in the Information Disclosure Statements filed on September 28, 2006, and May 14, 2009.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning the subject application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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